

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR/HHS/ EDUCATION

Conferees on Thursday, October 30, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2264, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D1172)

H.J. Res. 75, to confer status as an honorary veteran of the United States Armed Forces on Leslie Townes (Bob) Hope. Signed October 30, 1997. (P.L. 105-67)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 3 through 8, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider the nomination of Charles Rossotti, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury, with a vote to occur thereon, and may consider the motion to proceed to S. 1269, Reciprocal Trade Agreement Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on H.R. 2646, Education Savings Act For Public and Private Schools, and vote on a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to S. 1269, Fast Track/Trade Agreements.

On *Thursday*, Senate will resume consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1119, National Defense Authorization Act, with a vote to occur thereon. Also, during the week, Senate may resume consideration of S. 1156, D.C. Appropriations, 1998, S.J. Res. 37, Amtrak Strike Prohibition, consider the conference reports on S. 830, FDA Modernization and Accountability Act, S. 858, Intelligence Authorization, H.R. 2264, Labor/HHS, and further conference reports, when available, and any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, November 4, 1997 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 4, Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology, to hold hearings on mandating year 2000 disclo-

sure by publicly-traded companies; to be followed by a full committee business meeting to consider certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: November 4, to hold hearings to examine options for funding social security benefits in the 21st century, 2 p.m., SD-608.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Federal pre-kindergarten through grade twelve education programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: November 4, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

November 4, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the necessity of Federal involvement in the Next Generation Internet, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

November 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the environmental consequences of global warming scenarios, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: November 4, to hold hearings on the nominations of Curt Herbert Jr., of Mississippi, and Linda Key Breathitt, of Kentucky, each to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: November 4, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine the status of Federal transportation programs in the absence of a multi-year reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

November 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 627, authorizing funds for programs of the African Elephant Conservation Act, and S. 1287, to assist in the conservation of Asian elephants by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of Asian elephants and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of Asian elephants, 2 p.m., SD-406.

November 5, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine the General Services Administration proposal to construct or otherwise acquire a facility to house the headquarters of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: November 5, to hold hearings on proposed legislation to restructure the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and to examine the recommendations of the IRS Restructuring Commission, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 4, business meeting, to mark up S. 759, to provide for an annual report to Congress concerning diplomatic immunity, S. Con. Res. 48, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding proliferation of missile technology from Russia to Iran, and S.Con.Res. 58, expressing the concern of Congress over Russia's newly passed religion law, and to consider pending nominations, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

November 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine how the American public views NATO enlargement, 10 a.m., SD-419.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine commercial activities of China's People's Liberation Army (PLA), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: November 3, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume oversight hearings on the Treasury Department's Office of Inspector General, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

November 3, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to review the annual report of the Postmaster General, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

November 6, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the social impact of music violence, 12 Noon, SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: November 3, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings on oversight of the administrative procedures and examination of anti-slamming laws, 2 p.m., SD-226.

November 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine competition, innovation, and public policy in the digital age, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

November 5, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on proposed legislation on the impact of section 110 of the 1996 Immigration Act on land borders of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-562.

November 5, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to examine Federal efforts to prevent juvenile crime, 10 a.m., SD-226.

November 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Seth Waxman, of the District of Columbia, to be Solicitor General of the United States, Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

November 5, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, closed briefing on the "eligible receiver" exercise, 2 p.m., SH-217.

November 5, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine the report of the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection, 3 p.m., SD-226.

November 6, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider the nomination of Bill Lann Lee, of California, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of Robert S. Warshaw, of New York, to be Associate Director, and Thomas J. Umberg, of California, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, both of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: November 5, business meeting, to consider pending administrative matters, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Indian Affairs: November 3, to hold hearings on H.R. 1604, to provide for the division, use, and distribution of judgment funds of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan, 10 a.m., SR-485.

November 4, Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 976, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, and to consider the nomination of Kevin Gover, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, 9:15 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: November 6, to hold hearings to examine proliferation issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Chamber

Monday, The House is not in session.

Tuesday, Consideration of 19 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 2644, United States-Caribbean Trade Partnership Act;

2. H.R. 1967, to provide that the distribution before January 1, 1978, of a phonorecord shall not for any purpose constitute a publication of the musical work;

3. H.R. 2265, No Electronic Theft Act;

4. H.R. 1493, to require the Attorney General to establish a program in local prisons to identify, prior to arraignment, criminal aliens and aliens who are unlawfully present in the United States;

5. H.J. Res. 91, Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flat River Basin Compact;

6. H.J. Res. 92, Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa river basin Compact;

7. H.R. 1702, Commercial Space Act; and

8. H.R. 1839, National Salvage Motor Vehicle Consumer protection Act of 1997;

9. H.R. 1836, Federal Employees Health Care Protection Act of 1997;

10. H.R. 2675, Federal employees Life Insurance Improvement Act;

11. Volunteers for Wildlife Act of 1997;

12. Carson national Forest and the Santa Fe national Forest Land Conveyance;

13. S. 587, Hinsdale County, Colorado Land Exchange;

14. S. 588, providing for the expansion of the Eagles Nest Wilderness;

15. S. 589, providing for a Boundary Adjustment and Land Conveyance Involving the Raggeds Wilderness;

16. S. 591, Transferring the Dillon Ranger District in the Arapaho National Forest to the White River National Forest;

17. H.R. 1604, Providing for the Division, Use, and Distribution of Judgment Funds of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians;

18. H.R. 948, Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Act; and

19. S. 931, Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center Designation Act; and

Consideration of H.R. 2746, HELP Scholarships Act (closed rule, 2 hours of general debate); and

Consideration of H.R. 2616, Charter Schools Amendments Act (open rule, 1 hour of general debate).

NOTE: No recorded votes are expected before 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Consideration of H.R. 2676, IRS Restructuring Act (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2195, Laogai Slave Labor Products Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 967, Prohibition of U.S. Funds to Certain Chinese Officials (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2570, Forced Abortion Condemnation Act (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2358, Political Freedom in China Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2232, Radio Free Asia Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2605, Communist China Subsidy Reduction Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 2647, to ensure that commercial activities of the People's Liberation Army of China or any Communist Chinese military company in the U.S. are monitored and are subject to the authorities under the International Emergency Economics Powers Act;

Consideration of H. Res. 188, urging the executive branch to take action regarding the acquisition by Iran of C-802 cruise missiles;

Consideration of H.R. 2386, United States-Taiwan Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Cooperation Act (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of H.R. 2621, Reciprocal Trade Agreement Authorities Act of 1997 (subject to a rule).

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, November 4, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation and Research, hearing on the review on the implementation of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

November 5, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on H.R. 2515, Forest Recovery and Protection Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

November 5, Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops, hearing to review the Federal Crop Insurance Program, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

November 6, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, hearing on review of agricultural transportation issue, with a focus on the current rail grain situation, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, November 6, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, hearing on GAO investigation of White House, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, November 4, hearing on the Millennium Bug: Banking and the Year 2000 computer problem, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

November 5, to markup H.R. 217, Homeless Housing Programs Consolidation and Flexibility Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, November 4, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Federal-State Relationship: A Look into EPA Regulatory Reinvention Efforts, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the upcoming global climate change agreement negotiations in Kyoto, Japan, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

November 5 and 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearings on the Department of Energy's Funding of Molten Metal Technology, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn on November 5 and 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn on November 7.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, November 4, Subcommittee on Human Resources, oversight hearing on Privatization of Child Support Enforcement Services, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

November 4, Subcommittee on The Postal Service, hearing on Improving Labor Management Relations in the Postal Service, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on "CSRS-FERS OPEN SEASON—What Are the Merits?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, oversight hearing on the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

November 6 and 7, full Committee, hearings on the "White House Compliance with Committee Subpoenas," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, November 6 and 7, to continue hearings on Campaign Finance Reform, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, November 5, hearing on "Soldiers Without Borders: Crisis in Central Africa", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

November 6, hearing on the current status of negotiations between the Tibetan Government in Exile and the People's Republic of China, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

November 6, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, joint hearing on the Fifth Summit of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, November 5, oversight hearing on The Antitrust Enforcement Agencies: The Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice and the Bureau of Competition of the Federal Trade Commission, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the Internet Domain Name Trademark Protection, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on the Health Professional Shortage Area Nursing Relief Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

November 6, full Committee, to markup H.R. 1909, Civil Rights Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

November 7, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on combating crimes against children facilitated by the internet, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

November 7, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on the Final Report of the Commission on Immigration Reform, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, November 4, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on Federal response to domestic terrorism involving weapons of mass destruction—status of Department of Defense support program, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on ballistic missile threat posed by Iran, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

November 6, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on Department of Defense equipment modernization, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, November 4, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, to markup the following bills: H.R. 1659, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act; H.R. 2416, provide for the transfer of certain rights and property to the United States Forest Service in exchange for a payment to the occupant of such property; and H.R. 2574, to consolidate certain mineral interest in the National grasslands in Billings County, ND, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interest to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

November 5, full Committee, to consider pending business, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

November 6, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the review of NOAA's plan for The Management of Monitor National Maine Sanctuary, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

November 6, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to continue hearings on H.R. 1995, Point Reyes National Seashore Farmland Protection Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, November 4, to consider the following: H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1997; H. Res. 188, urging the executive branch to take action regarding the acquisition by Iran of C-802 Cruise missiles; H.R. 967, to prohibit the use of United States funds to provide for the participation of certain Chinese officials in international conferences,

programs, and activities and to provide that certain Chinese officials shall be ineligible to receive visas and be excluded from admission to the United States; H.R. 2195, Laogai Slave Labor Products Act of 1997; H.R. 2232, Radio Free Asia Act of 1997; H.R. 2358, Political Freedom in China Act of 1997; H.R. 2386, U.S.-Taiwan Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Cooperation Act; H.R. 2570, Forced Abortion Condemnation Act; H.R. 2605, Communist China Subsidy Reduction Act of 1997; and H.R. 2647, to ensure that commercial activities of the People's Liberation Army of China or any Communist Chinese military company in the United States are monitored and are subject to the authorities under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

November 4, hearing on H. Res. 298, amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to repeal the rule allowing subpoenaed witnesses to choose not to be photographed at committee hearings, 6 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, November 4, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on The Global Dimensions of the Millennium Bug, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

November 5, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on International Space Station Status and Cost Overruns, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

November 6, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to continue hearings on the Countdown to Kyoto Part III: The Administration's Global Climate Change Proposal, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

November 6, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Role of Computer Security in Protecting the U.S. Infrastructure, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, November 6, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, hearing on the Reauthorization of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Program, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, November 4, Subcommittee on Trade, oversight hearing on the Future of United States-China Trade Relations and the possible Accession of China to the World Trade Organization, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, November 5, executive, hearing on Nonproliferation, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.